

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25

SENATE BILL 399

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

INTRODUCED BY

Bernadette M. Sanchez

AN ACT

RELATING TO TEACHERS; REQUIRING COURSE WORK IN CULTURAL
DIVERSITY IN EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CULTURAL DIVERSITY COURSE WORK. --

A. In addition to other requirements for
certification in elementary or secondary education, a person
seeking a standard or alternative certificate after January 1,
2005 shall have completed three credit hours in cultural
diversity in education.

B. A person who holds a certificate in elementary
or secondary education on the effective date of this act or who
applies for a certificate before January 1, 2005 shall complete

underscored material = new
[bracketed material] = delete

1 three credit hours in cultural diversity in education by
2 January 1, 2006. "

3 Section 2. [NEW MATERIAL] STATE POST-SECONDARY
4 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS--COLLEGES OF EDUCATION--COURSE IN
5 CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN EDUCATION REQUIRED.--The colleges of
6 education in the state post-secondary educational institutions
7 shall develop and offer one or more courses in cultural
8 diversity in education that focus on teaching future teachers
9 the importance of cultural identity in learning and teaching
10 strategies to improve learning skills of minority students.

11 - 2 -
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25